## INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE GENEVA

# REPORT FORM

FOR THE

# ABOLITION OF FORCED LABOUR CONVENTION, 1957 (No. 105)

The present report form is for the use of countries which have ratified the Convention. It has been approved by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, in accordance with article 22 of the ILO Constitution, which reads as follows: "Each of the Members agrees to make an annual report to the International Labour Office on the measures which it has taken to give effect to the provisions of the Conventions to which it is a party. These reports shall be made in such form and shall contain such particulars as the Governing Body may request."

# PRACTICAL GUIDANCE FOR DRAWING UP REPORTS

#### First reports

If this is your Government's first report following the entry into force of the Convention in your country, full information should be given on each of the provisions of the Convention and on each of the questions set out in the report form.

# Subsequent reports

In subsequent reports, information need normally be given only:

- (a) on any new legislative or other measures affecting the application of the Convention;
- (b) in reply to the questions in the report form on the practical application of the Convention (for example, statistics, results of inspections, judicial or administrative decisions) and on the communication of copies of the report to the representative organizations of employers and workers and on any observations received from these organizations;
- (c) in reply to comments by the supervisory bodies: the report must contain replies to any comments regarding the application of the Convention in your country which have been made by the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations or by the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards.

#### Article 22 of the Constitution of the ILO

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I. Please give a list of the legislation and administrative regulations, etc., which apply the provisions of the Convention. Where this has not already been done, please forward copies of the said legislation, etc., to the International Labour Office with this report.

Please give any available information concerning the extent to which these laws and regulations have been enacted or modified to permit, or as a result of, ratification.

II. Please indicate in detail *for each of the following Articles of the Convention* the provisions of the abovementioned legislation and administrative regulations, etc., or other measures, under which each Article is applied.

If in your country ratification of the Convention gives the force of national law to its terms, please indicate by virtue of what constitutional provisions the ratification has this effect. Please also specify what action has been taken to make effective those provisions of the Convention which require a national authority to take certain specific steps for its implementation, such as measures to define its exact scope, measures to draw the attention of the parties concerned to its provisions, and arrangements for adequate inspection and penalties.

If the Committee of Experts or the Conference Committee on the Application of Standards has requested additional information or has made an observation on the measures adopted to apply the Convention, please supply the information asked for or indicate the action taken by your Government to settle the points in question.

# Article 1

Each Member of the International Labour Organisation which ratifies this Convention undertakes to suppress and not to make use of any form of forced or compulsory labour:

- (a) as a means of political coercion or education or as a punishment for holding or expressing political views or views ideologically opposed to the established political, social or economic system;
- (b) as a method of mobilising and using labour for purposes of economic development;
- (c) as a means of labour discipline;
- (d) as a punishment for having participated in strikes;
- (e) as a means of racial, social, national or religious discrimination.
- A. (a) Please indicate whether persons holding or expressing political views or views ideologically opposed to the established political, social or economic system may be subjected to forced or compulsory labour as a means of political coercion or education or as a punishment.
- (b) Please indicate whether use may be made of forced or compulsory labour as a method of mobilizing and using labour for purposes of economic development; please indicate any measures which have been taken in practice in this connection (particularly as regards the manner in which the workers in question are recruited, the period for which they are engaged, etc.).
- (c) Please state whether use may be made of forced or compulsory labour as a means of labour discipline and, if so, indicate the legislative provisions or regulations in virtue of which this is authorized.
- (d) Please indicate whether participation in a strike, or in certain strikes, may be punished by the exaction of forced or compulsory labour and, if so, under what conditions.

- (e) Please indicate whether there exist any special provisions in the legislation or regulations or whether special measures have been taken with regard to given racial, social, national or religious groups, concerning the possibility of exacting forced or compulsory labour from members of such groups.
- B. If any person may be subjected to forced or compulsory labour in cases other than those set out above, please indicate the circumstances in which such measures may be authorized and state what precautions are taken to ensure that these measures do not lead to a violation of the Convention.

## Article 2

Each Member of the International Labour Organisation which ratifies this Convention undertakes to take effective measures to secure the immediate and complete abolition of forced or compulsory labour as specified in Article 1 of this Convention.

Please indicate what measures, if any, have been taken with a view to giving effect to this Article.

Please indicate, in particular, what penal provisions and sanctions are applicable in cases of illegal exaction of forced or compulsory labour: (i) by a public official or body; (ii) by private individuals or associations.

- III. Please state to what authority or authorities the application of the abovementioned legislation and administrative regulations, etc., is entrusted, and by what methods application is supervised and enforced. In particular, please supply information on the organization and working of inspection.
- IV. Please state whether courts of law or other tribunals have given decisions involving questions of principle relating to the application of the Convention. If so, please supply the text of these decisions.
- V. Please give a general appreciation of the manner in which the Convention is applied in your country and supply copies of the reports of the competent services, such as the judicial administrations, etc. Please supply also all available statistics concerning the number of persons on whom forced or compulsory labour has been imposed, the nature of the work carried out by the persons in question, the reasons for which the said persons have been subjected to such work, the number of working hours effected during the period under review, and the wages paid to these persons. Please state also whether the persons in question enjoy the same conditions of work as free workers and, if not, indicate in what respects their conditions differ.
- VI. Please indicate the representative organizations of employers and workers to which copies of the present report have been communicated in accordance with article 23, paragraph 2, of the Constitution of the International Labour Organization. If copies of the report have not been communicated to representative organizations of employers and/or workers, or if they have been communicated to bodies other than such organizations, please supply information on any particular circumstances existing in your country which explain the procedure followed.

Please indicate whether you have received from the organizations of employers or workers concerned any observations, either of a general kind or in connection with the present or the previous report, regarding the practical application of the provisions of the Convention or the application of the legislation or other measures implementing the Convention. If so, please communicate the observations received, together with any comments that you consider useful.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Article 23, paragraph 2, of the Constitution reads as follows: "Each Member shall communicate to the representative organisations recognised for the purpose of article 3 copies of the information and reports communicated to the Director-General in pursuance of articles 19 and 22."